(b) if so, the States which have introduced the same;

(c) the States which have undertaken to introduce the same at a future date;

(d) whether there was any objection on the contents of some of the text books introduced in the school;

(e) the nature of these objections; and

(f) the steps taken in that regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. NCERT has granted copyright to Goa (for Classes I, III, VI, IX and XI),

Haryana (for Classes VI, IX and XI), Sikkim (for Classes IX and XI) and Uttaranchal (for Classes VI and XI) on their request for adoption/ adaptation/translation of its textbooks based on NCF-2005 for the academic Session 2006-2007.

(c) States of Jharkhand and Himachal Pradesh have requested NCERT for Copyright of textbooks based on NCF-2005 from the academic Session 2007-2008.

(d) to (f) No objection have been received from any State.

**Computer education through schools**

1365. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are implementing any scheme on computer education to be imparted through schools;

(b) if so, the schemes and their essential features;

(c) the pattern of the assistance envisaged under the scheme; and

(d) the allocations made to various State Governments, State-wise, since the enforcement of the schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) Yes Sir. The Scheme Information and Communication Technology at Schools was launched by the Ministry of Human Resource Development in December 2004. Under this Scheme, financial assistance is provided

for promoting Computer Education in Government and Government-aided Secondary and Senior Secondary Schools. Financial Assistance is provided to States/UTs on the basis of Computer Education Plans received from them in the ratio of 90:10 for special category states and 75:25 for general category states/UTs subject to a ceilling of Rs. 5.00 lakh per school for general category State. The sanctions and releases made to various states/ UTs since the inception of the scheme are enclosed as Statement.

***Statement***

*The sanctions and releases to various States/UTs since the inception of the scheme.*

(Rs. in lakhs)

| Sl. No. | Name of the State/UT | Amount Sanctioned | Gross amount released as Central Share | Net amount released after adjustment of unspent balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Karnataka | 2400.00 | 1200.00 | 1200.00 |
| 2. | Nagaland | 319.59 | 319.59 | 319.59 |
| 3. | Goa | 1150.00 | 292.50 | 292.50 |
| 4. | Sikkim | 621.09 | 270.00 | 270.00 |
| 5. | Daman and Diu | 75.00 | 33.70 | 25.00 |
| 6. | Rajasthan | 500.00 | 500.00 | 53.26 |
| 7. | Bihar | 900.00 | 225.00 | -- |
| 8. | Jammu and Kashmir | 844.20 | 90.00 | -- |
| 9. | Madhya Pradesh | 1150.00 | 575.00 | -- |
| 10. | Punjab | 1000.00 | 500.00 | -- |
| 11. | Orissa | 1000.00 | 500.00 | -- |
| 12. | Arunachal Pradesh | 928.62 | 464.31 | 444.81 |
| 13. | Mizoram | 306.18 | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| 14. | Haryana | 500.00 | 250.00 | 230.50 |
| 15. | Uttaranchal | 150.75 | 75.00 | 75.00 |
| 16. | Kerala | 625.00 | 312.50 | 312.50 |
| 17. | Tamil Nadu | 625.00 | 312.50 | 2.10 |
| 18. | West Bengal | 1000.00 | 393.17 | 393.17 |
| | TOTAL: | 14095.43 | 6463.27 | 3768.43 |